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Applicant : Jobic, Sylvestre  
Appln. No. : 09/155,843 Examiner: S. Wang  
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For : WOOD GLUE INCORPORATING AN INSECTICIDE

**DECLARATION OF SYLVESTRE JOBIC**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.132**

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I, Sylvestre Jobic, residing in Liergues, France, do declare:

1. I am the sole inventor of the invention described and claimed in the above-identified application. I currently hold the position of Professional Pest Global Portfolio Manager at Bayer Environmental SA in Lyon, France. A copy of my Curriculum Vitae is attached hereto as Exhibit 1.

2. The instant invention relates to an adhesive composition comprising a wood adhesive and a pyrazole-based insecticide containing fipronil.

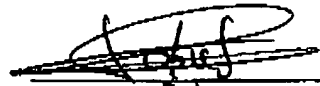
3. The prior art known to me does not suggest adhesive compositions comprising a wood adhesive and a pyrazole-based insecticide containing fipronil.

4. An adhesive composition comprising a wood adhesive and a pyrazole-based insecticide containing fipronil, wherein the wood adhesive is ethylene-vinyl acetate copolymer, phenol-formaldehyde resin, or resorcinol-formaldehyde resin, and wherein the insecticide is according to formula (I) as instantly claimed, was not within the knowledge of persons of ordinary skill in the art as of the time of filing of the instant application. The glue containing fipronil will be used through plywood manufacturing and will protect the plywood against termites and other woodborers. Termites (bot subterranean and dry wood) and other woodborers will not damage the plywood or any structure made of plywood.
5. Whether the insecticidal property of a specific insecticide and the adhesive property of a specific adhesive resin are preserved when the insecticide and adhesive resin are mixed together is not predictable.
6. A person of ordinary skill in the art could not predict, at the time of filing of the instant application, whether any random combination of insecticide and adhesive resin would exhibit commercially effective adhesive and insecticidal properties

7. The claimed combinations of a fipronil-containing compound and ethylene-vinyl acetate copolymer, phenol-formaldehyde resin, or resorcinol-formaldehyde resin have an unexpected and surprisingly benefit over other known insecticide-containing adhesives.

8. I hereby declare that all statements made herein by my own knowledge are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true, and further that I make these statements with the knowledge that willful false statements, and the like, are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of any patent issuing from the above-identified application.

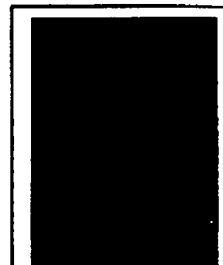
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Sylvestre Jobic

**Curriculum Vitae**
**Name: Sylvestre JOBIC**

<b>Date of Birth:</b> 27.01.66	<b>Nationality:</b> French	<b>Personnel No.:</b> 2007453
<b>Place of Birth:</b> Lannion France	<b>Marital Status:</b> Married	<b>Employed since:</b> 21.11.88
	<b>Number of Children (up to 18 years):</b> 2	<b>Date of CV:</b> 12.11.01



<b>Function: AES</b> Professional Product Line	<b>Reports to (Name):</b> John ARTHUR	<b>Position/Level:</b> Global PCO/Stored Product Marketing Manager /3
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**Responsibilities:**

- Manage the Market Sector Team to provide strong leadership and networking for the Professional Product businesses to build coherent global strategies based on customer needs that maximise the brand value and cash generation from the product portfolio.
- Identify, prioritise and supervise the development of global strategic projects in the key markets.
- Accountable for the Market sector EBITA, Free Cash Flow, Cost of goods and Resources allocation

**Education:**

- 1998 Business Management Degree,  
Institut Francais de Gestion Lyon
- 1986 BTS, Technical degree in crop protection,  
Carcassonne

**Languages:** (mother-tongue/fluent/working knowledge/basic knowledge)

- French (mother tongue)
- English (fluent)
- German (basic knowledge)

**Working Experience:**

- From 04-2000 : Global Marketing Manager PCO
- 98-00 : European Commercial Manager, Rhodic PCO
- 95-98 : Southern Europe Business Manager, Rodic PCO
- 94-95 : France PCO Business Manager
- 91-93 : Regional Manager , RP Pepro
- 90-91 : Regional Marketing Manager, RP Pepro
- 88-90 : Sales Representative, RP Pepro

**Trainings/Courses:**

- On going German training
- 1998 Business Management
- 1997 Project management
- 1993 English training
- 1992 Management training

**Interests/Hobbies:**

Flying, (qualified pilot)  
Gardening